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Classified By: Acting Economic Counselor Lawrence Petroni for
reasons 1.4(b) and (d)

¶11. (C) Econoff delivered reftel A talking points June 29 to Ms. Pattarat Hongtong, Deputy Director of the Peace, Security, and Disarmament Division; Department of International Organizations; Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Ms. Hongtong stated the Royal Thai Government (RTG) has established an interagency working group to consider UNSCR 1874 issues (see reftel B).

¶12. (C) Ms. Hongtong stated the RTG intends to enforce UNSCR 1874, including financial provisions of the resolution. In addition to general anti-money laundering laws, the RTG is working to establish further measures to ensure that the DPRK would not be able to fund WMD and other activity proscribed by UNSCR 1874. According to Ms. Hongtong, the Ministry of Finance and Bank of Thailand participate in the UNSCR 1874 working group and are working with the MFA to implement the resolution.

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